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No. 329.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1883.

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Hongkong, 15th February, 1883. [105]

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CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....Tls. 420,000.00  
PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 230,000.00  
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....Tls. 290,553.95

TOTAL CAPITAL and  
ACCUMULATIONS, 8th May, 1882.....Tls. 940,553.95

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Tientsin, Yokohama, Nagasaki, Hugo, Saigon,  
Haiphong, Hanoi, and Manila up to the 22nd  
February, inclusive.

For full information respecting the prospectus,  
Shares, &c. of the above Company, apply to

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Whilst the columns of the *Hongkong Telegraph* will always be open for the fair discussion by correspondents of all questions affecting public interests, it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

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WRITING on the silver coinage question, the San Francisco *Morning Call* of the 15th ulto. observes:—A contemporary says people take a silver dollar, worth in bullion about eighty-five cents, because the government has promised to redeem it. This is hardly a correct statement of the case. The government does not promise to redeem silver coin. It simply receives silver coin on a par with gold coin in payment of government dues. A silver dollar cannot be redeemed more than a gold dollar. The dollar of both metals is legal tender. The bullion value of one may be greater than the bullion value of the other, but the government does not undertake to redeem the coin of the lesser value with the coin of the greater. Some years ago the silver dollar was worth more as bullion than the gold dollar. Government did not then redeem gold with silver. The position taken by our contemporary would imply that gold is the single measure of value and silver merchandise. Silver bullion is merchandise, but silver coin is money and receives it for its face value. A silver dollar will not be sold as bullion for less than one hundred cents, while the government receives it as the equivalent of a gold dollar of one hundred cents. The present depreciation in silver has been brought about by hostile legislation. The uses of silver have been decreased, and consequently the demand has been decreased. The decrease in the uses of silver has effected an increase in the uses of gold; and in consequence the commercial values of the two metals have been separated—one has gone one way and the other the opposite way. It is sometimes said that legislation cannot influence the market value of silver because its market value is determined by the law of demand and supply. But legislation influences the law of demand and supply. The action of England, followed by that of Germany, in making gold the single standard of value, had the effect to decrease the demand for silver by depriving it of one of the functions it had up to that time exercised. Legislation by the principal commercial countries, looking to the restoration of silver as money in all respects on the same footing as gold, would increase the demand for silver by increasing its use.

TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, February 15th.

The Fallieres' Ministry has resigned.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

WILLIAM BLACK is supposed to be making the largest income of any English novelist living.

GERMANY is reported to be anticipating an amicable cession of the island of Heligoland from England.

A STATUE of Robert Burns, the national bard of Scotland, is to be erected on the Victoria Embankment in London by Mr. Crawford, a retired Glasgow merchant.

A LONDON dispatch says: There are no members of the human race whose condition is so abjectly wretched as that of the starving people in the west of Ireland.

"JUDGE, your Honor, I have been locked up for the last seventeen Christmases, and I was trying to spend this one outside; but it seems that it is not use trying any more." Such was the despondent observation with which Richard Murray answered to his name in a Washington Police Court. The trouble with him was that he had been celebrating the day with premature ardour, and the Judge gave him thirty days. "Thirty days!" exclaimed the culprit; "Great goodness, here it is again! Well, I suppose it's all right," and he departed to spend his eighteenth Christmas in jail.

THE Sultan has prohibited all Ministers except Said Pasha, Nessim Pasha, Assym Pasha and Osman Pasha from crossing the bridge between Stamboul and Pera without his consent.

THE following childish and ungrammatical rubbish—which we reproduce for the purpose of showing how contemptible it is possible for a professed time-server to become—appears in last night's *China Mail*:—"We have heard rumours concerning the conduct of certain deputations in London, having for their object the glorification of Sir John Pope Hennessy and the slandering of this Colony, which we are almost disinclined to believe. A few months ago, we published a few comments upon the *personal* and the movements of a Chinese delegation in London, of which a good deal was made at the time. Upon that delegation further light is likely to be thrown before long; and when our readers hear all the truth, they will more than endorse all that has ever been said in these columns regarding the scandals connected with deputations and addresses got up in certain quarters."

THOSE whose knowledge of French is limited to the word "monsieur," and they are legion, may, after reading the following remarks on that word in a French paper, at least congratulate themselves that they pronounce it rightly. Others, again, to whom "depuis," "Nécessily," and such words offer insuperable obstacles, will be surprised to learn that the pronunciation of "monsieur" is a sort of Parisian shibboleth. It was not till the Fifteenth century that "monsieur" was evolved from *meum seniorum*. At this time the ending was fully pronounced with its *r*, as in "sieur," nowadays; but when the word ceased to be exclusively applied to the nobility, about the end of the Seventeenth century, the frequency of the appellation caused the slipshod pronunciation that is so interesting, a fact to philologists, and the *r* was dropped. The first syllable, which was pronounced "moun" in the Sixteenth century, and which has perhaps survived in the nautical word used by the Jack Tar of Dibdin, "mounseer," became modified to *mo*, though there is a learned dispute as to whether this is not part of the *langue d'oïl*. Then "mo-sieu" became "mesieu," which is generally pronounced as "m'sieu" in 1882, or, as we wish to talk as a real *gavroche*, "m'sieu."

THE eleventh annual Flower, and the second Poultry Show, of the Hongkong Horticultural Exhibition Society and Poultry Show, were opened in the Public Gardens this afternoon under favorable auspices, the weather, unlike that which prevailed during last year's exhibition, being very enjoyable. The arrangements were much the same as last year, save that the poultry pens this year are placed at the south end of the Gardens, instead of on the terrace at last year. We could note little difference, from our necessarily cursory inspection, between the exhibits of fruits, flowers and vegetables and those of last year, but it seemed to us that everything was more tastefully arranged, and the general effect appeared to us to be more pleasing. In the poultry department there is a considerable falling off in the number of pens, there being only 25 full ones as against some fifty or more last year, the empty pens being no fewer than 38. The head of the "princely house" takes the lead in this department. The exhibits, so far as they go, are excellent, the Cochinchina fowls with plumage "sparkling with unumbered eyes," being an attraction, as are also the birds in several of the other pens. His Excellency the Administrator and Mrs. Marsh, accompanied by his Aide-de-camp, Major Hamilton, arrived about half past two, and seemed to take much interest in the various exhibits. There were not many others present when our reporter left, but visitors were just beginning to put in an appearance, and those who were there seemed to be much more appreciative than Wordsworth's Peter Bell, with

"A primrose by a river's brim,  
A yellow primrose was it him,  
And it was nothing more."

The band of the "Auctiōtōs" was present and played several selections. The Judges were:—Plants and cut flowers:—Messrs. Thos. Sampson and H. P. Tendall. Vegetables:—Messrs. E. Vaucher and E. George. Poultry:—Messrs. H. G. James and W. Morgan. The Shows will be continued to-morrow, when the hand of the Buff will play, and in our issue of which we shall have the pleasure of publishing the list of prizes. A handsome silver bouquet holder containing a very pretty bouquet, flowers of all hue entering into its composition, was shown to us, which we were informed, was intended for presentation by the Committee to Mrs. Marsh. "We cannot more fittingly conclude a necessarily meagre and imperfect account of the Flower Show than by quoting the well-known lines:

"When I go to church I am ready,  
For I have a bouquet of flowers to offer,  
My coat will fit a flower of this creation,  
Priest, Bazaar, Shrine."

A CONVOCATION of Emergency of United Royal Arch Chapter, No. 1321, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, to-night, at 8:30 p.m. precisely.

THE main building of the Catholic University of Notre Dame, Indiana, is to have a dome costing 25,000 or \$30,000, with elaborate decorations. It will be 200 feet high, and the finest in the country, except that on the Capitol at Washington.

A YOUNG blood who is about to enter into the holy state of matrimony goes to seek the advice of an old friend, his family doctor. "The girl, you see," says the young man, with engaging frankness, "hasn't got any tin now, but she has a rich uncle with heart disease that?"—"I don't know about that," says the doctor, reflectively, "a man with heart disease is apt to live much longer than"—"But it is a serious case. Only this morning they called in your eminent colleague, Dr. X."—"Then if they have, marry her, sir; you haven't a minute to lose!"

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IN the return match between the Hon. Ivo Bligh's team of English cricketers and the Australian Eleven, the game stood as follows on the 2nd ulto.:—

ENGLISHMEN—FIRST INNINGS.

C. Studd, b Palmer ..... 14

Barlow, b Palmer ..... 14

Leslie, thrown out ..... 54

Steel, c M'Donnell, b Giffen ..... 39

be an "urgent" measure. It is not considered probable that the actual expulsion of members of the Napoleonic and other royal families will be adopted by both Chambers.

LONDON, January 17th. The directors of the Union Bank have declared a dividend of 8 per cent, and carried forward £50,000 to the reserve fund.

January 18th. The false prophet of the Soudan has totally defeated the Egyptian force despatched against him, killing half of them.

LONDON, January 19th. A serious affray took place at Constantinople yesterday between an Albanian and a negro regiment of the Sultan's guard, resulting in fifty men being killed. The affair caused quite a panic in the palace.

Madame Latrobe died at Neuchatel yesterday. Canon Wilkinson has accepted the Bishopric of Truro, vacated through the Right Rev. Dr. Benson having become Archbishop of Canterbury.

Archdeacon Lewis has been appointed Bishop of Llandaff, in place of the late Bishop Olivett.

ST. PETERSBURG, January 16th. The Czar Alexander III., in a speech delivered at a reception of officials and leading residents of the city on New Year's Day, pointed to the probability of the ceremony of his coronation being shortly performed.

CANNES, January 18th. Mr. Gladstone arrived here safely to-day, showing no signs of being fatigued by his journey from London.

BERLIN, January 18th. The Bank of Germany has reduced the bank rate of discount to 4 per cent.

PARIS, January 19th. M. Fallières, Minister of the Interior, has introduced a bill in the Chamber of Deputies to prevent the issue of political manifestos by pretenders to the throne of France. He is confident that this measure will remove the necessity for the proposed expulsion of members of the late reigning families from France.

LONDON, January 19th. The strike on the Caledonian Railway continues. It is causing serious inconvenience to the public, and is paralysing traffic.

The defaulting treasurer of the State of Tennessee, who recently escaped from custody and fled to Texas, has been recaptured and lodged in the goal at Nashville.

Cetywyo has reached the capital of his kingdom, where he has been received by his friends with great enthusiasm.

LONDON, January 21st.

M. Fallières, Minister of the Interior, has introduced a bill in the French Chambers which proposed to confer on President Grévy the power to expel such of the members of the late royal families from France as may be menacing the safety of the Republic, and to compel the retirement of those who hold commissions in the army. The bill, which was received with considerable uproar, has been referred to a Committee of the Chamber.

The celebrated Russian General Todlenben, the defender of Sebastopol, is ill.

Leopold II., King of the Belgians, who has lately been ill, has now recovered.

It is reported that his Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh has accepted £100,000 to surrender his title to the Duchies of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, to which he is heir presumptive.

The Ministry of Cape Colony propose only to control the external relations of the Basutos, leaving the internal management of the country in their hands.

AMSTERDAM, January 19th.

Intelligence has been received from a town eight miles from this place of an explosion, accompanied with serious loss of life. A powder mill close to the town exploded from some unknown cause, killing twelve persons on the spot and injuring many others. The greater portion of the town was shattered by the explosion.

LYONS, January 19th.

The trial of the prisoners charged with complicity in the recent anarchist outbreak has concluded. Prince Krapotkin and the other leaders have each been sentenced to five years' imprisonment, and the other prisoners to various terms according to the part taken by them in the movement.

PARIS, January 19th. It is reported that a Legitimist plot has been discovered, having for its object the restoration of the Bourbon monarchy in the person of the Comte de Chambord. General Charritte is stated to be the leader of the plot, which has widespread ramifications.

January 20th.

No arrests have been made in connection with the reported Bourbon plot, and the authorities pooh-pooh its existence.

The Dublin police have arrested a man named Farrell, who is suspected of having been connected with the recent outrages in this city. Farrell, on being arrested, offered to turn informer, and gave a startling history of crime in Ireland. He alleged the existence of an inner circle of assassins, with a complete organisation for the commission of crime. He also states that three attempts had been made to murder the Right Hon. W. E. Forster, late Chief Secretary for Ireland, but they had all proved unsuccessful. The prisoner has been remanded for a week in order that further inquiries may be made, and it is hoped these revelations may enable the authorities to put an end to the terrorism that has so long existed in Ireland.

HAMBURG, January 20th.

A collision occurred in the North Sea, between the steamer *Cimbria*, of Hamburg, and a vessel whose name is unknown, resulting in the sinking of the former. Thirty-nine of the passengers have been landed at Cuxhaven, but it is feared that a number have been drowned.

LONDON, January 21st.

The Marquis of Hartington, in a speech delivered at Manchester, stated that the Government would never consent to grant autonomy to Ireland, inasmuch as that would involve the power of making laws which might prove prejudicial to other parts of the Empire.

In a speech delivered at Blackburn, Lord Hartington said that the British troops would evacuate Egypt immediately after the Khedive's Government had been restored on a stable basis. He also stated that most of the European Powers had expressed approval of the action of England in connection with Egypt.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The steamer *Bothwell Castle* left Singapore on the 9th instant, and may be expected to arrive here on or about the 16th.

The steamer *Coniston* left Singapore on the 10th instant, and is due here on or about the 16th.

The N. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Camorta* left Batavia on the 1st instant, and may be expected here on or about the 17th.

The Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's steamer *Vorwärts* left Singapore for this port on the 13th instant, and may be expected to arrive here on or about the 20th.

The steamer *Tamandis* left Sydney on the 3rd instant, and may be expected to arrive here about the 20th.

"THAMES-STEAMER INDUSTRIES," by Percy Russell. This Illustrated Pamphlet on Perfumery, &c., published at £1, contains 100 pages of text and 200 illustrations. The author has made a special study of the Chemistry & dealing in Perfumery in the World, and John Cawley & Co., London, [1882]

FOUNDERING OF THE STEAMER  
"CHIAPAS."

The screw steamer *Chiapas*, 996 tons registered tonnage, Captain Polson, from Glasgow for Trindad and Demerara, founded on Saturday morning about seven miles S.E. of Roche's Point, Queenstown, in 30 fathoms of water. The disaster was observed from the watch-tower at Roche's Point. All on board were saved, with the exception of one man, a fireman, named Barney O'Farrell. The *Chiapas* was a new steamer, having been only launched in October from the yards of Messrs. George and James Thompson, of Clyde-bank. She was steel plated, and was built for Messrs. David and Co., of Glasgow, for the West Indian trade. This was her first trip. The crew consisted of 36 all told, and she had, in addition, four passengers—W. P. Sloman, of Dumfries; Mr. and Miss Shiel, of Airdrie; and Mr. Francis, of the North of Ireland. The *Chiapas* sailed from Greenock on Thursday morning last at 8 o'clock. At 3 a.m. on Saturday, while about 40 miles SSE of Roche's Point, a leak was reported in the fore compartment. Both steam and hand pumps were set to work, but all efforts failed to counteract the flow of the water into the fore compartment. At 5 a.m. the captain decided upon bearing up for Cork Harbour, and shaped his course accordingly. The weather was bad, frequent squalls and a nasty cross sea being encountered. No effort was spared to relieve the vessel and to bring her into Queenstown, but the unfavourable weather and the gradual settling of the ship's head rendered her position one of increasing peril. The captain acted with great coolness, and from the bridge he continued to give his orders until the ship went down under him. The firemen came on deck, but the carpenter and another of the crew went below and fired the fires until all hope was gone. Land being observed at daylight, flags of distress were put up, but it was nearly to o'clock before assistance came to hand. The pilot boat *Werrett*, of Cork Harbour, soon down upon the *Chiapas* of poor Head, and kept her company. Three of the lifeboats of the steamer had been launched and put in readiness for receiving the crew and passengers, who were then taken off. In the meantime the *Chiapas* had become unmanageable. She lay, with her starboard rails under and her stern completely out of the water. The machinery continued in motion, having been kept going till the last moment in the hopes of beaching the steamer. At this time there were only on board the captain, the chief engineer, the mate, two other officers, and a fireman named O'Farrell, who was believed to have lost his reason at the last moment, for he refused to leave the vessel. The captain, who still remained on the bridge, directed the officers to save themselves. They jumped into the water and were picked up by the lifeboat. In another moment the steamer gave a plunge and went down head foremost. As the vessel disappeared the propeller was still revolving, and a great body of steam and smoke came up the funnel. The captain and the unfortunate fireman were taken under water; the former rose, and clutching a plank, was rescued by the lifeboat. The captain and those in the second lifeboat were taken on board another pilot cutter, the *Plover*, which had been attracted to the spot by the condition of the steamer. All the survivors were landed at Queenstown. None saved effects. The crew and passengers left Queenstown this morning for Glasgow.

DIVORCE, ANCIENT AND MODERN.

In the French revolution the attack upon indissoluble marriage in France was first successfully made by a certain Dubuyat, whose law passed the Assembly on the 20th of September, 1792. By it the then existing system of *separation de corps et de biens*, which has now been in force again for sixty-six years, was entirely abolished, and divorce was made the sole means of obtaining a separation between husband and wife. The decree of divorce was also made obtainable upon the most vague and easy grounds, including mutual consent, so that, practically speaking, the law allowed any one who chose to quit the married state. In the two or three years following the time when the act was passed, an innumerable multitude of married persons cast off the yoke on the most nimby and absurd pretexts, and marriage as an institution was thrown into almost complete discredit. La Harpe, among other persons, got a divorce for "incompatibility of temper" in 1793, and there were numerous instances of dissolution of marriage effected simply in order to enable the husband to swindle the wife out of her dowry. The Imperial Legislature dealt with the subject in a way which has commanded as much admiration as any other part of the Napoleonic Code. Judicial separations were reintroduced for the benefit of those religious persons who shrank from divorce on conscientious grounds; but the latter proceeding was also recognized, though only upon proper and sufficient grounds, and with effective guarantees against abuse. The act which was passed in 1803, had been preceded by a careful inquiry made by a commission; and the report of the commission illustrates in a striking way the enormous scandals produced by the license of preceding years. 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# THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1883.

## Commercial.

### THIS DAY.

Noon.

There is little doing in the Share Market this morning. Banks are very firm at the cash rate, and time sales have been put through at 160 for March 31st and 198 for the end of April, shares being still wanted at these rates. Indo-Chinas are enquired after at quotation, and a slightly higher rate would doubtless be given. Luzons are gradually declining, transfers having taken place at \$111 for cash, while offers to part at \$112 for the end of the month have met with no response. Nothing else requires special mention.

4 o'clock p.m.

With the exception of some time business in China Sugars at 208 for March 31st, no further share transactions have been reported since we last wrote.

### SHARES.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—Ex New Issue

—157 per cent. premium, buyers.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—New Issue

—147 per cent. premium—nominal.

Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$1,850 per share, buyers.

China Traders' Insurance Company—\$1,650 per share, buyers.

North China Insurance—Tls. 1,225 per share.

Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$135 per share.

Yangtze Insurance Association—Tls. 870 per share ex. div. buyers.

Chinese Insurance Company—\$215 per share, buyers.

On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$1,160 per share, sales and buyers.

China Fire Insurance Company—\$324 per share, sellers.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—49 per cent. premium, buyers.

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$30 per share.

China and Manila Steam Ship Company—120 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Gas Company—\$80 per share.

Hongkong Hotel Company—\$130 per share, sales and buyers.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—10 per cent. dis. buyers.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$206 per share, sellers.

China Sugar Refining Company (Debentures)—3 per cent. premium.

Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$111 per share, sellers.

Hongkong Ice Company—\$170 per share, ex div. buyers.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$60 per share.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1878—1 per cent. prem. ex. int.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1881—2 per cent. prem.

### EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—Bank, T. T. ....3/7

Bank Bills, on demand .....3/7

Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight .....3/7

Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight .....3/7

Credits, at 4 months' sight .....3/8

Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight .....3/8 @ 3/8

ON PARIS.—Bank Bills, on demand .....4.52.

Credits, at 4 months' sight .....4.62.

ON BOMBAY.—Bank, T.T. ....223

ON CALCUTTA.—Bank, T.T. ....223

ON SHANGAI.—Bank, sight .....723

Private, 30 days' sight .....731

### OPIUM MARKET.—THIS DAY.

NEW MALWA .....per picul, 8535

(Allowance, Taels 64.)

OLD MALWA .....per picul, 8555

(Allowance, Taels 24.)

NEW PATNA (first choice) per chest, 8567

NEW PATNA (second) .....per chest, 8557

NEW PATNA (without choice) per

chest .....8624

NEW PATNA (bottom) .....per chest, 8570

NEW BENARES (without choice) per

chest .....8561

NEW PERSIAN .....per chest, 8335

OLD PERSIAN .....per picul, 8320

(Allowance, Taels 32.)

### HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(FROM MESSRS. FALCONER & CO.'S RECORDS).

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Thermometer—4 P.M. ....65

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